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PORT AUTHORITY OF NEW YORK AND NEW JERSEY ISSUED PRESS  
RELEASE AUG. 15 ANNOUNCING QUOTE:

"FORMATION OF A NEW MULTI-AGENCY GROUP WHICH WILL START  
WORK IMMEDIATELY TO DEVELOP NOISE-VIBRATION STANDARDS  
FOR THE CONCORDE SUPERSONIC AIRCRAFT. PARTICIPATING  
AGENCIES ARE THE U.S. DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION,  
NATIONAL AERONAUTICS AND SPACE ADMINISTRATION, ENVIRONMENTAL  
PROTECTION AGENCY AND THE PORT AUTHORITY." UNQUOTE.

BRITISH AND FRENCH EMBASSIES HAVE WRITTEN TO SECRETARY  
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ADAMS CONTENDING THAT ANY SUCH STUDY IS UNNECESSARY.  
REPLIES TO THESE LETTERS ARE NOW IN PREPARATION.

NO SUCH GROUP HAS BEEN FORMED. DISCUSSIONS HAVE TAKEN  
PLACE IN WASHINGTON BETWEEN REPRESENTATIVES OF PORT  
AUTHORITY, GAO, NASA, EPA AND DOT TO DISCUSS PORT  
AUTHORITY REQUEST FOR ADDITIONAL STUDY OF NOISE VIBRATIONS

OF CONCORDE. DOT HAS PREPARED FOLLOWING GUIDANCE AUG. 17  
FOR USE BY ITS PRESS OFFICE ON IF ASKED BASIS.

QUOTE: "AT THE REQUEST OF THE GENERAL ACCOUNTING  
OFFICE, REPRESENTATIVES OF THE OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY  
AND THE FEDERAL AVIATION ADMINISTRATION MET THIS MORNING  
WITH REPRESENTATIVES OF THE PORT AUTHORITY OF NEW YORK  
AND NEW JERSEY, THE NATIONAL AERONAUTICS AND SPACE  
ADMINISTRATION, THE GENERAL ACCOUNTING OFFICE, AND THE  
ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY TO DISCUSS THE PORT  
AUTHORITY'S WRITTEN REQUEST FOR ADDITIONAL RESEARCH  
INTO THE QUESTION OF NOISE-INDUCED VIBRATION IN STRUCTURES  
NEAR AIRPORTS. THE PORT AUTHORITY HAS SUGGESTED THAT  
OPERATIONS OF THE CONCORDE SST INTO JFK AIRPORT MIGHT  
CREATE GREATER LEVELS OF VIBRATION IN NEARBY HOMES THAN  
DO CONVENTIONAL SUBSONIC AIRCRAFT, CAUSING INCREASED  
ANNOYANCE AMONG JFK'S NEIGHBORS.

THE POTENTIAL PROBLEMS CAUSED BY NOISE-INDUCED STRUCTURAL  
VIBRATIONS WERE RECOGNIZED QUITE EARLY BY THE DEPARTMENT  
AND THE FAA IN ASSESSING THE POSSIBLE ENVIRONMENTAL  
IMPACTS WHICH MIGHT BE CREATED BY THE CONCORDE SST, AND  
THIS FACTOR WAS INCLUDED IN THE FINAL ENVIRONMENTAL  
IMPACT STATEMENT WHICH PRECEDED THE FEBRUARY 1976  
DECISION TO AUTHORIZE A 16-MONTH TRIAL PERIOD. MONITORING  
INFORMATION OBTAINED FROM THE FIRST 12 MONTHS' OPERATION  
OF THE CONCORDE AT DULLES INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT, NEAR  
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WASHINGTON, D.C., HAS INDICATED THAT NOISE-INDUCED  
VIBRATION LEVELS ARE LESS THAN THOSE INITIALLY ESTIMATED  
IN THE EARLIER ASSESSMENT. DETAILS OF THE DULLES  
MONITORED INFORMATION WILL BE RELEASED EARLY NEXT  
MONTH, AS PART OF THE FAA'S SUMMARY REPORT OF THE FIRST  
12-MONTH PERIOD OF CONCORDE OPERATIONS THERE. UNQUOTE.  
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